# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
# LOK SABHA

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Deemed University
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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government is awre that seven out of forty deemed universities in the country lack infrastructure;
(b) if so, the details thereof, University-wise;
(c) the details of the standards/ parameters prescribed for infrastructure in such universities; and
(d) the details of the action being taken against those universities lacking in infrastructure

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MAHENDRA NATH PANDEY)
(a) & (b): Pursuant to the direction of Hon'ble Supreme Court in WP(C) No.142 of 2006, an Expert Committee was constituted by University Grants Commission (UGC) to physically inspect 7 Deemed to be Universities namely (i) Bharath Institute of Higher Education and Research, Chennai, (ii) Academy of Maritime Education and Training, Kanathur, Chennai, (iii) Ponnaiah Ramajayam Institute of Science & Technology, Thanjavur, Tamil Nadu. (iv) Maharishi Markandeshawar University, Ambala, Haryana, (v) Vinayaka Mission's Research Foundation, Salem, Tamil Nadu, (vi) Institute of Advanced Studies in Education, Sardarshahr, Rajasthan & (vii) Manav Rachna International University, Faridabad, Haryana out of 41 Deemed to be Universities. After inspection, the Committee pointed out certain deficiencies including those in infrastructural facilities. University-wise details of such deficiencies in infrastructure are at Annexure-1.
(c): Clause 7.2 of the UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2016 elaborates the following minimum requirements of infrastructure & other facilities:
i) Administrative Building of at least 1,000 sq. meters.
ii) Academic Building, including library, lecture theatres and laboratories, of at least 15,000 sq. meters, of which the central library alone being of about 2000 sq. mts.
iii) Some residential accommodation for teachers, guest house and hostel accommodation for students shall be in existence at the time of applying for declaration as an institution deemed to be university. Hostel accommodation shall be gradually increased to at least 25% of the students within 3 years of existence of institution deemed to be university. The floor area for hostel facilities shall be 10 sq. mts. per student proposed to reside.
Provided that if the Institution is proposed to be set up in metropolitan area/ urban area and if the proposed Institution has space constraints, the hostel facilities for students and residential facilities for academic and nonacademic staff can be established at a place within 5 km radius from the main campus.
iv) The minimum requirement for open space shall be 40% of the total area of the Institution.
v) The minimum area for playground having multi sports facilities shall be 25,000 sq. mts.
vi) The Institution shall have adequate health care facility within the campus for students, faculties, staff or any other members.
vii) The Institute shall have barrier free approach and appropriate safety measures (fire fighting, etc.).
viii) Equipment, Books and Journals of the institution shall be commensurate with the size and activities of the institution and shall satisfy the requirements of the Statutory/Regulatory body concerned. The institution shall also have Broadband Connectivity of appropriate level in order to cater to the needs of self learning / virtual experiments / hands on techniques as well as provide electronic access to journals, books and other learning materials.
ix) In case of multi-disciplinary Institution, the aggregate land requirement shall be

the sum of the land area prescribed by various Statutory Councils for all courses. In case, the institution is engaged in conducting professional programmes of study, the prevailing norms and standards of the respective Statutory Body for building infrastructure shall be applicable, in addition to the above.

x) The infrastructure requirement shall be evaluated taking into consideration the future expansion proposed in the application along with requirement of land for hostel and allied facilities for the student. The infrastructure requirement shall be ensured before starting new courses/ programme/ department / school / centre in the existing campus.

(d): The Report of the Committee was placed before the UGC meeting in which it was decided to give them final opportunity to rectify their deficiencies within a maximum period of one year and submit the compliance report the UGC within this period, failing which recommendation will be made to this Ministry for de-notification of Deemed to be University status. Subsequently, Hon'ble Supreme Court directed National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) to undertake assessment of 41 Deemed to be Universities including above mentioned 7 Deemed to be Universities. Out of 7 Deemed to be Universities, 3 have been accredited as Grade 'A' & 4 have been accredited as Grade 'B'.

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